

## TfL supports the Poppy Day fundraising efforts



**LAST week Transport Commissioner Sir Peter Hendy donated his Routemaster to help reach the £1million target as part of London Poppy Day.**

The bus travelled from Covent Garden, via Kensington Palace – to pick up the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge – before heading to 10 Downing Street to be welcomed by Prime Minister David Cameron.

Yesterday it operated alongside a Heritage Routemaster on the 211 Route, collecting for the Royal British Legion.

This was just one of a number of ways Transport for London gave its support.

As a mark of respect for the sacrifices made by London's service men and women, past and present, poppies were also displayed on Tube, Docklands Light Railway, London Overground trains, buses, bus shelters and London Tramlank.

■ If you would like to make a donation, go to [www.britishlegion.org.uk](http://www.britishlegion.org.uk)

## Cutting crowding on the Northern line

A PILOT scheme is under way this week to reduce crowding on the Northern line, between Clapham North and Tooting Bec.

Transport for London (TfL) is providing information on how small changes to passengers' journeys, for example travelling slightly earlier or later, could make them faster, more reliable and more comfortable.

From early next year, London Underground (LU) will be providing travel hotspot information about the busiest stations. The data will show passengers when the busiest periods are, broken down into 15-minute slots, giving them the choice to avoid those times if they are able to. Other travel options will also be suggested, including walking and cycling travel times.

The Northern line is being modernised; a new signalling system will increase capacity by

20 per cent. The pilot will allow customers to make an informed choice about when they make their journeys.

Gareth Powell, director of strategy and service development at LU, said: 'During the 2012 Games many of our passengers made small changes to their journeys which meant we were able to carry record numbers without the transport network feeling any busier.'

'This section of the Northern line is exceptionally busy during part of the morning and while the modernisation of the line will help to relieve crowding when complete next year, this trial will look at whether we can improve the situation now.'

'By making a small change to the time they travel our passengers' journeys could be faster and more comfortable.'



## Tube improvement plan – post weekend update



**District and Piccadilly lines:** Approximately 175 metres of track was replaced between Acton Town and South Ealing, and a new set of points was built at Acton Town.

**Northern line:** Testing was carried out on the new signalling system.

These works will make journeys faster, smoother and more reliable.

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